





## Advanced Stroke Life Support (ASLS) Course Offering

## FINAL Free DHEC-Sponsored Train-The-Trainer Courses

## Why Take this Course?

The Advanced Stroke Life Support course, designed by the University of Miami Center for Research in Medical Education, has become the standard for prehospital and hospital acute stroke training for the American Heart Association. It utilizes the Miami Emergency Neurologic Deficit (MEND) Checklist that is a combination of the Cincinnati Prehospital Stroke Scale and the NIH Stroke Scale. Join the others in South Carolina who have taken this step to improve stroke outcomes!



## **Goals of Advanced Stroke Life Support:**

- Describe why early treatment may result in a marked reduction in risk of disability
- Identify the five main stroke syndromes and relate them to pathophysiology and clinical signs
- Perform focused evaluation to identify stroke, its location and severity, and t-PA contraindications
  - Describe the logistics of an acute stroke team
  - Identify how and when to administer t-PA to acute ischemic stroke patients
    - Describe the six aspects of acute stroke care for hospitalized patients



**Course Offerings:** 8:30am – 5:00pm. Provide the following information to the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Division (HDSP), Attn: Stacia Bell via phone (803-545-4498), fax (803-545-4503), or email (bellsl@dhec.sc.gov) one week prior to each course. This course is offered at no cost to the provider. Free EMS approved CEUs. Nursing contact hours provided.

April 29, 2011	May 6, 2011	May 27, 2011	June 3, 2011
Carolinas Hospital System Floyd Conference Center 1592 Freedom Boulevard Florence, SC 29505	Greenville Memorial Hospital	Medical University of SC	Self Regional Healthcare
	Conference Center 1	Institute of Psychiatry Auditorium	Nesbit Center
	701 Grove Road	67 President Street	1202 Edgefield Street
	Greenville, SC 29605	Charleston, SC 29425	Greenwood, SC 29646

Sources:

University of Miami, Center for Research in Medical Education, Emergency Medical Skills Training Course - Advanced Stroke Life Support Course - http://www.asls.net; DHEC Bureau of Community Health and Chronic Disease Prevention, HDSP Division, 1800 St. Julian Place, Columbia, SC 29204 - http://www.scdhec.gov/hdsp

Nursing Contact hours will be provided. DHEC is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the South Carolina Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.